

**Proof-Mass Actuator  
Placement Strategies  
for Regulation of Flexure  
During the SCOLE Slew**

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THE SCOLE SLEW MANEUVER**

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## **STATEMENT OF THE REGULATOR PROBLEM**

**HOW DO DIFFERENT ACTUATOR PLACEMENT  
STRATEGIES AFFECT BEAM FLEXURE DURING  
LOS SLEW MANEUVER AND SETTLING**

## OBJECTIVES OF THIS ANALYSIS

- *Immediate*

1. To find the best placement for the actuators.
2. To determine the importance of placement, i.e., what is the sensitivity of beam flexure to actuator placement.

- *Ultimate*

1. To "close the loop" and apply regulation to the experimental test model of SCOLE.
2. To achieve the design challenge goal of .02 degrees LOS pointing error.

## PROCEDURES OF THIS ANALYSIS

- NASTRAN finite element model for flexible beam with 21 grid points on beam Reflector and shuttle body assumed to be rigid
- Nonlinear DISCOS simulation of 20 degree slew
- Closed-loop linear quadratic regulator (LQR)
- Regulator uses:
  1. Proof mass actuators on boom  
Maximum force is 10 lbs.  
Maximum stroke is 1 foot.
  2. Thruster moments on shuttle body  
Thruster forces on reflector

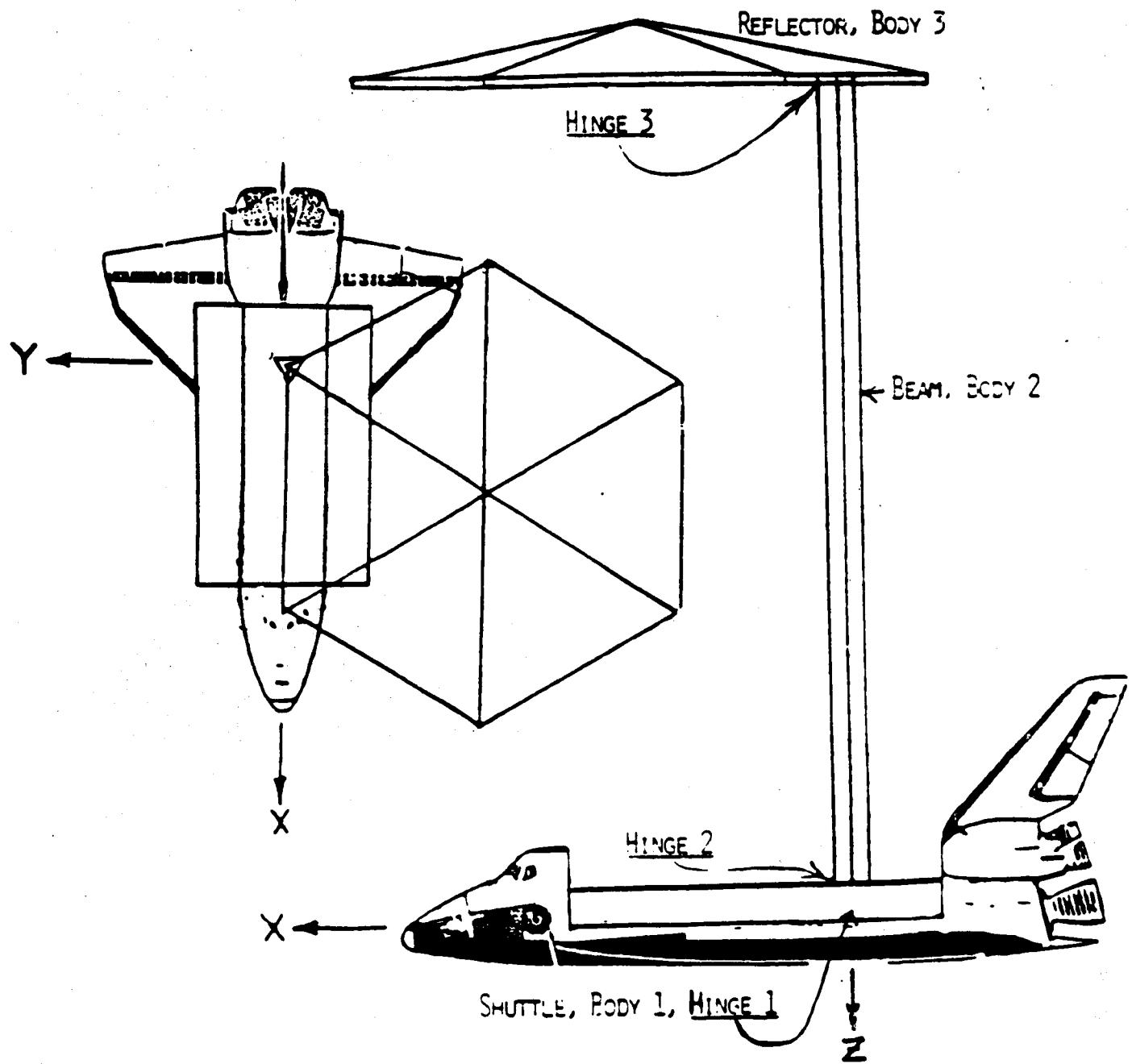
## BRIEF CONCLUSIONS FROM SIMULATION

1. Maximum relative orientation of reflector to shuttle, due to flexure during the simulation, is reduced by a factor of four by the proof-mass actuators.
2. Maximum flexure amplitude is insensitive to changes in actuator locations.
3. Damping of the flexure oscillations is sensitive to changes in actuator placement.
4. Good actuator placements can generate an overdamping in the flexure oscillations.

DISCOOS SIMULATION: RIGID BODIES CONNECTED BY HINGES

MASS AND MOMENT OF INERTIA PROVIDED BY USER FOR EACH BODY

LOCATION OF HINGES AND SENSORS



## COMPONENTS OF THE ANALYSIS

1. Nastran finite element model of beam, 40 nodes or grid points  
21 on beam itself, including end points.  
12 lowest modes retained for simulation.
2. DISCOS nonlinear simulation  
open loop commanded slew about minimum principal axis  
10,000 ft-lbs torque on shuttle, 22 lbs force on reflector  
Bang-bang control law, slewing time = 11.3 secs.
3. LQ regulator, using ORACLS  
control algebraic Riccati equation (CARE)  
No noise or time delay in sensors or actuators

## LQ REGULATOR FOR FLEXIBLE BEAM

- Purpose: To maintain the flexible beam in a nominally unbent position during the large angle slew
- Method: Linear quadratic regulator (LQR) matrices computed offline via ORACLS.
- Linearized system equation:  $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t)$ 
  - $x(t)$ : components are modal amplitudes and rates
  - $A$  : system matrix (from DISCOS)
  - $B$  : input matrix, determined by actuator placements
  - $u(t)$ : input forces, commanded by regulator control
- Cost functional to be minimized:

$$J = \int_0^\infty [x^T(s)Qx(s) + u^T(s)Ru(s)]ds$$

## LQ REGULATOR (CONTINUED)

- Objectives in minimizing cost functional:
  1. Maximize regulator performance
  2. 10lb limitation on actuator force

- Solve control algebraic Riccati equation :

$$0 = Q + A^T P + P A - P B R^{-1} B^T P$$

set  $Q = I$  and  $R = rI$ , with  $r = 10^{-5}$  or  $10^{-6}$

- Input force vector  $u(t)$  is given by:

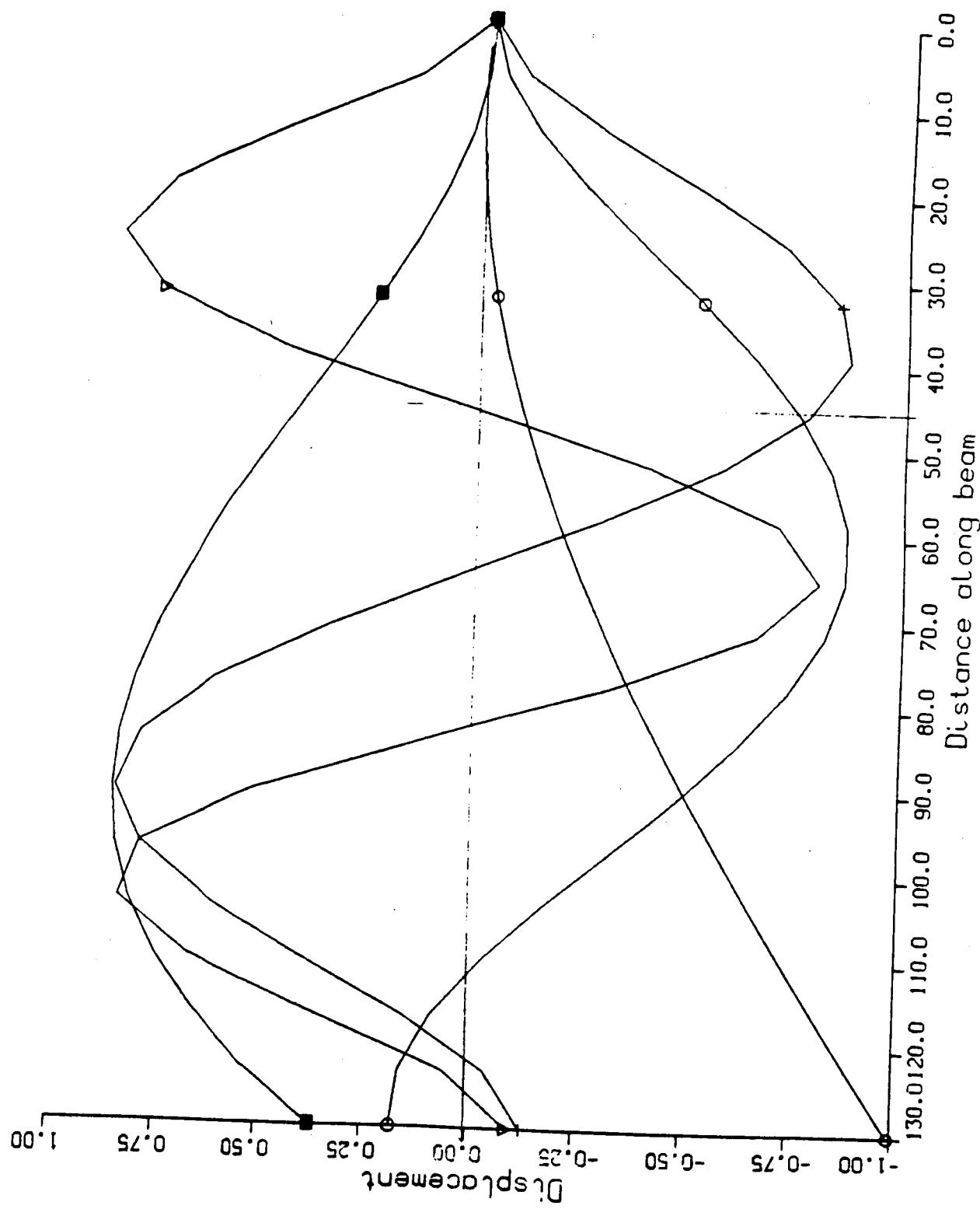
$$u(t) = -R^{-1}B^T P x(t)$$

$u(t)$  is recalculated each time step in DISCOS  
from current value of  $x(t)$  and offline,  
predetermined values of  $R$ ,  $B$ , and  $P$ .

TABLE I: MODES OF THE SYSTEM AS COMPUTED BY NASTRAN

MODE NUMBER	MODE TYPE	ANGULAR FREQ.	FREQ. IN HZ
1	PITCH	1.746	0.278
2	ROLL	1.969	0.313
3	YAW	5.105	0.182
4	ROLL	7.410	1.179
5	PITCH	12.848	2.045
6	ROLL	29.459	4.689
7	PITCH	34.263	5.453
8	ROLL	74.670	11.884
9	PITCH	78.883	12.555
10	COMPRESSION	106.281	16.915
11	ROLL	142.467	22.674
12	PITCH	145.618	23.176

Modal displacement in Y of roll modes



- INPUT MATRIX  $B$

$B$  is of the form :  $[B]_{i,k} = \phi_{i,k}$

where  $\phi_{i,k}$  is input influence coefficient on  $i^{\text{th}}$  mode from actuator at location  $k$  (21 grid points on beam)

6 degrees of freedom, 3 translational, 3 rotational,

$$\phi_{i,k} = (\phi_x \ \phi_y \ \phi_z \ \phi_\theta \ \phi_\phi \ \phi_\psi)_{i,k}$$

$\phi_x$  is  $x$  displacement of  $i^{\text{th}}$  mode at location  $k$

- Degree of controllability,  $\rho$ , with 2 actuators at  $l$  and  $n$

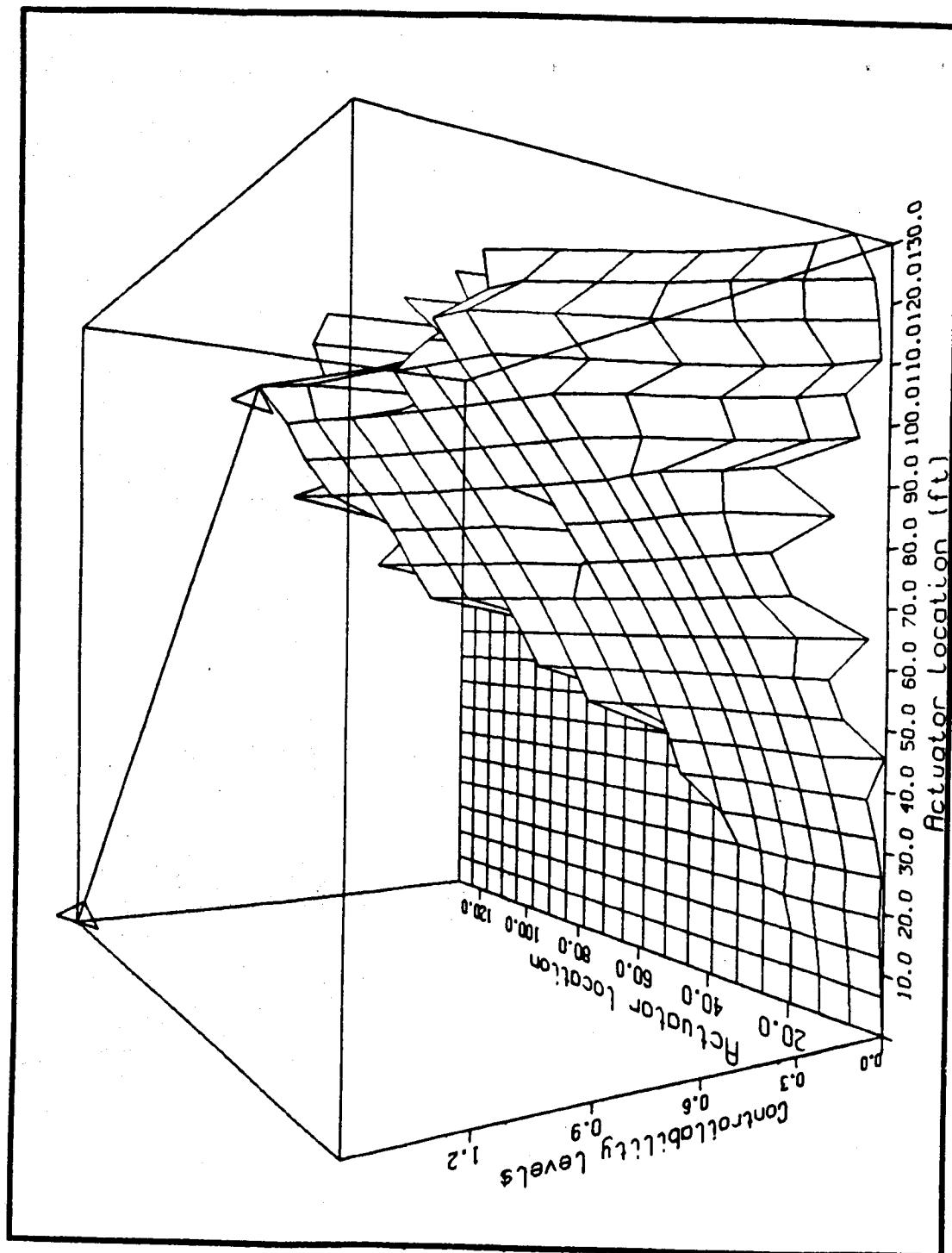
$$\rho = \min_i [\varepsilon \cdot (|\phi_{i,l}| + |\phi_{i,n}|) + |\phi_{i,1}| + |\phi_{i,21}|]$$

$\varepsilon$  = ratio of actuator influence to thruster influence

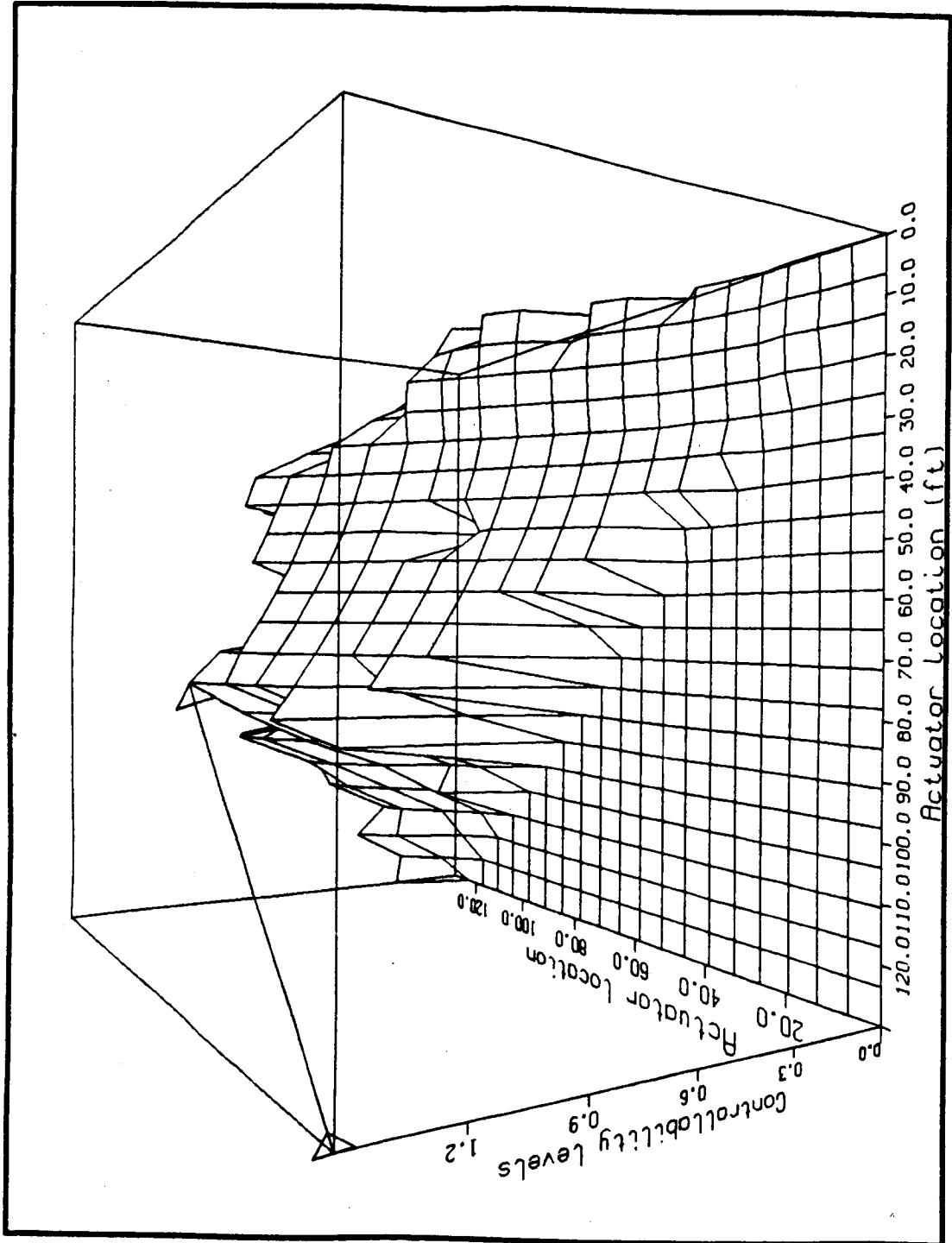
TABLE 2: ACTUATOR LOCATIONS FOR MAXIMUM CONTROLLABILITY

CASE	Joint #	ACTUATOR 1		Joint #	ACTUATOR 2	
		Location	Location		Location	Location
No Thrusters						
Actuators/Thrusters = 10	12	104	ft	17	16	71.5
Actuators/Thrusters = 1	11	110.5			17	78
Actuators/Thrusters = 0.1	14	91			17	71.5
Actuators/Thrusters = 0.01	13	97.5			17	71.5
	16	78			16	78

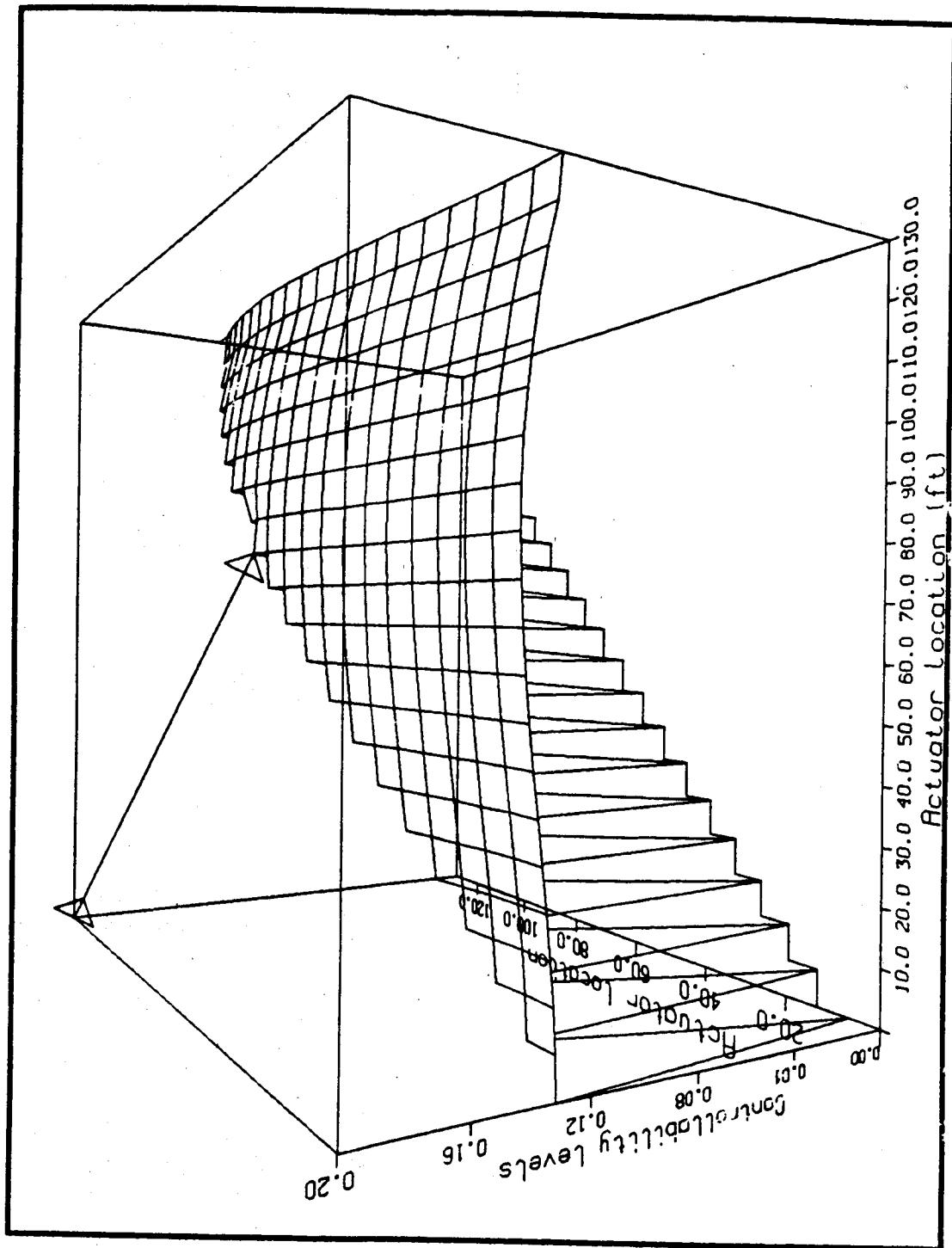
Controllability surface, X view



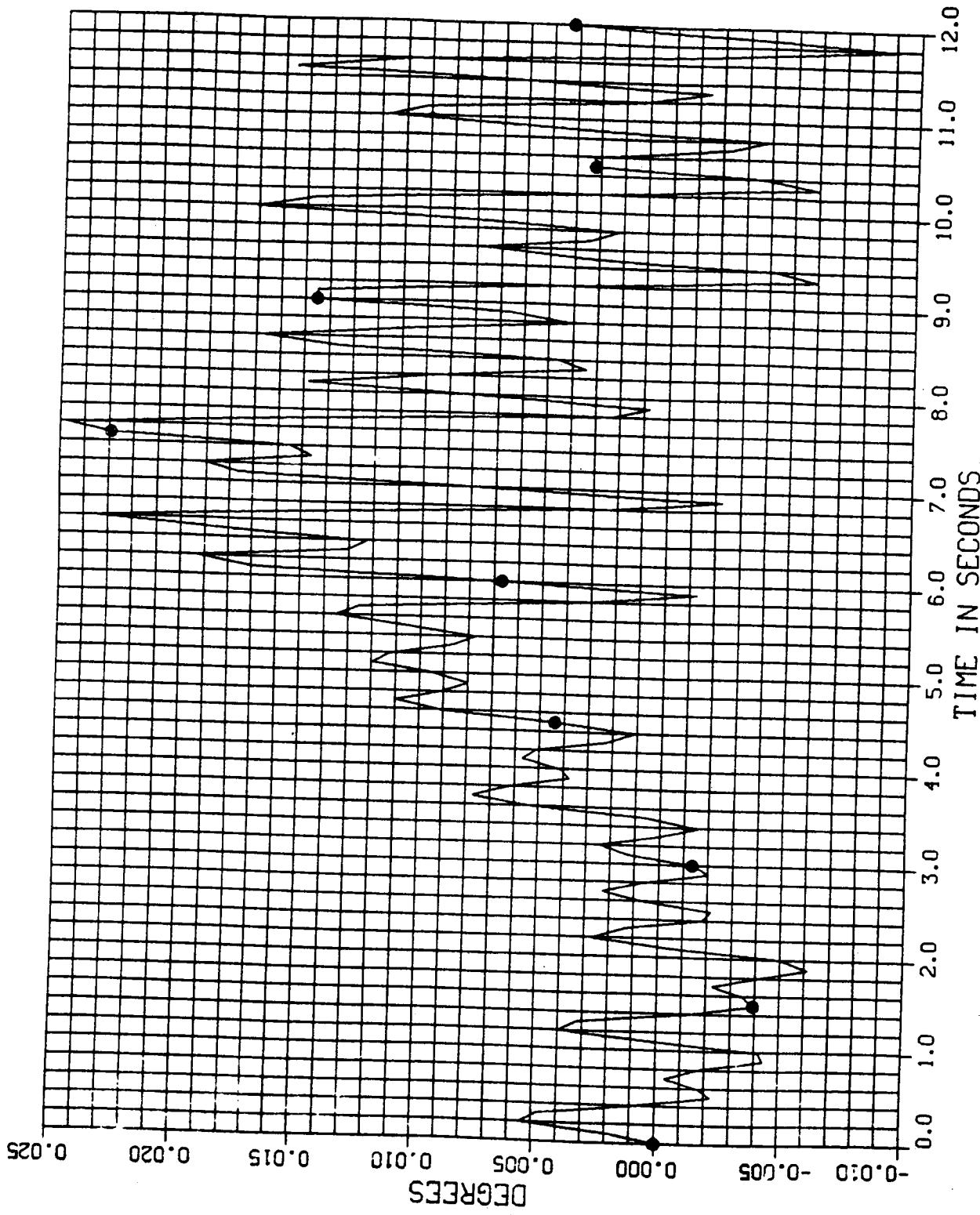
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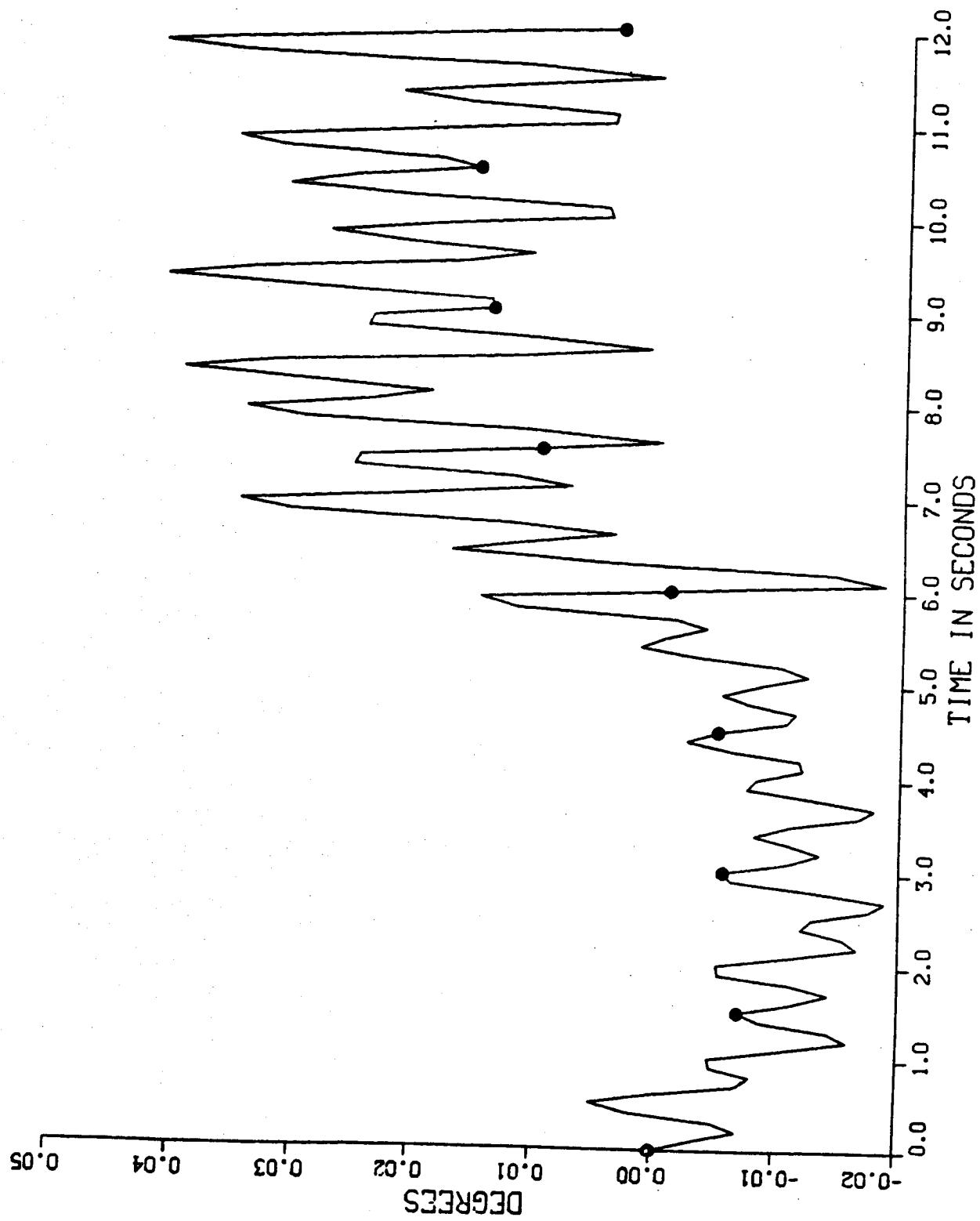
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ROLL OF ANTENNA RELATIVE TO SHUTTLE VERSUS TIME



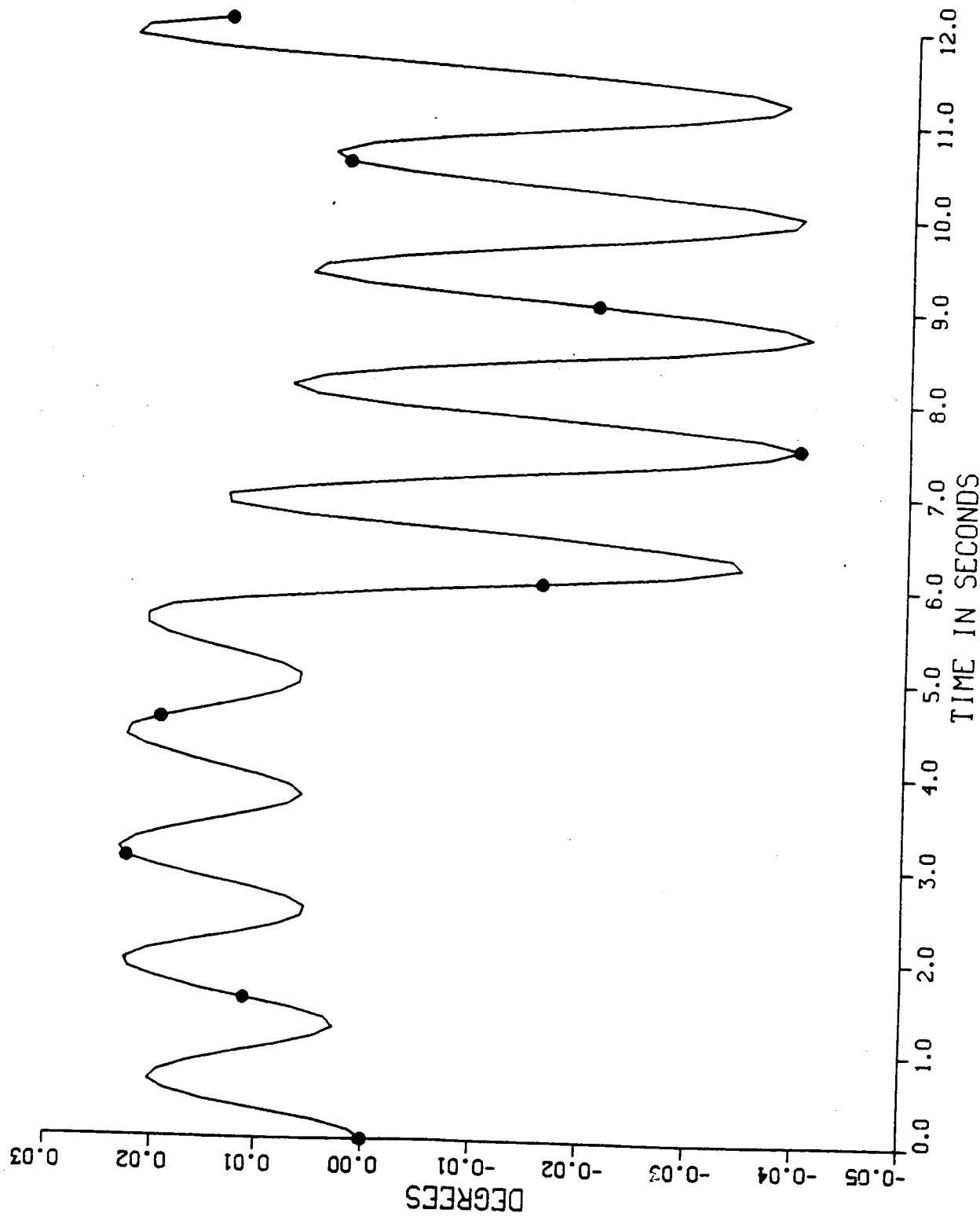
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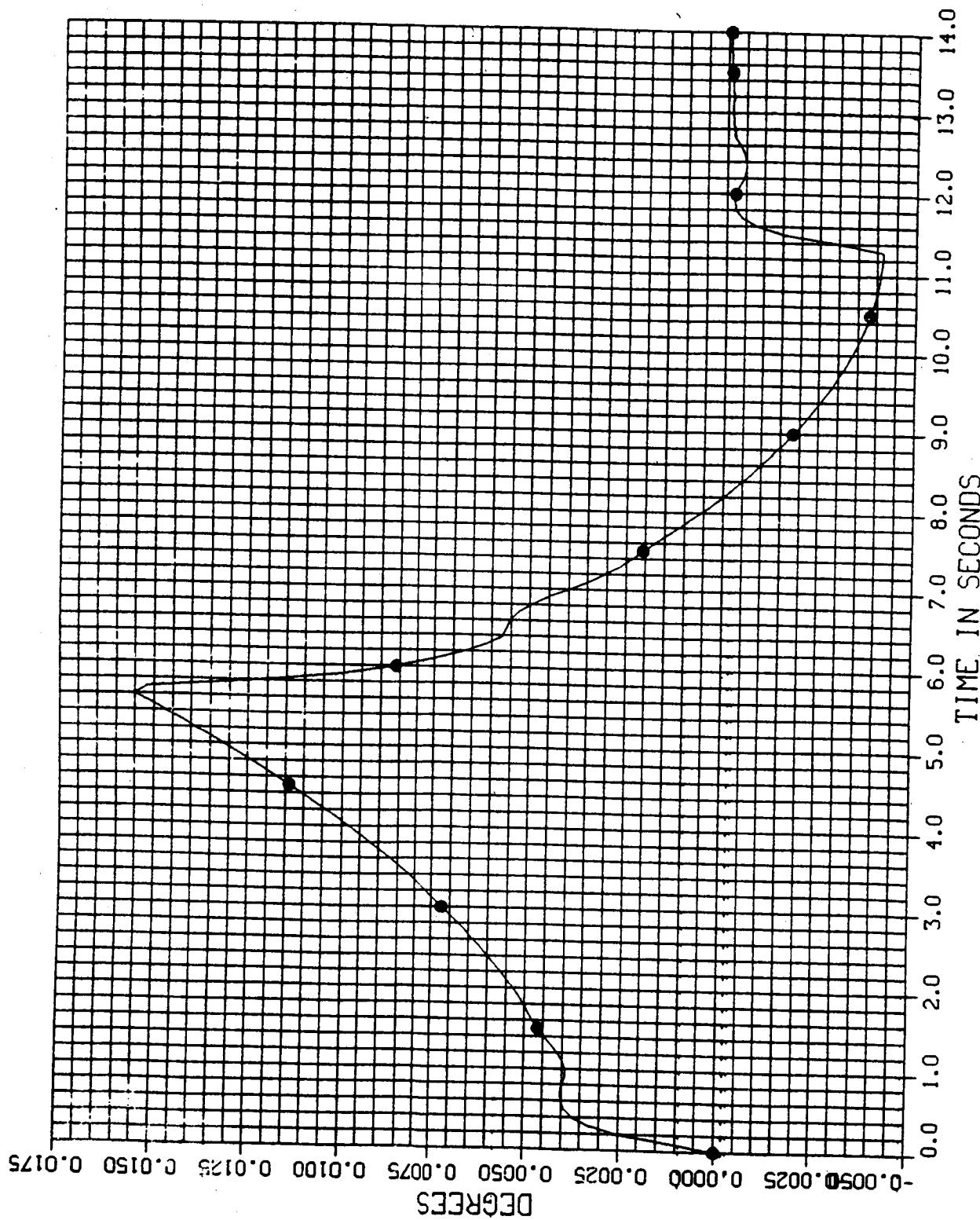


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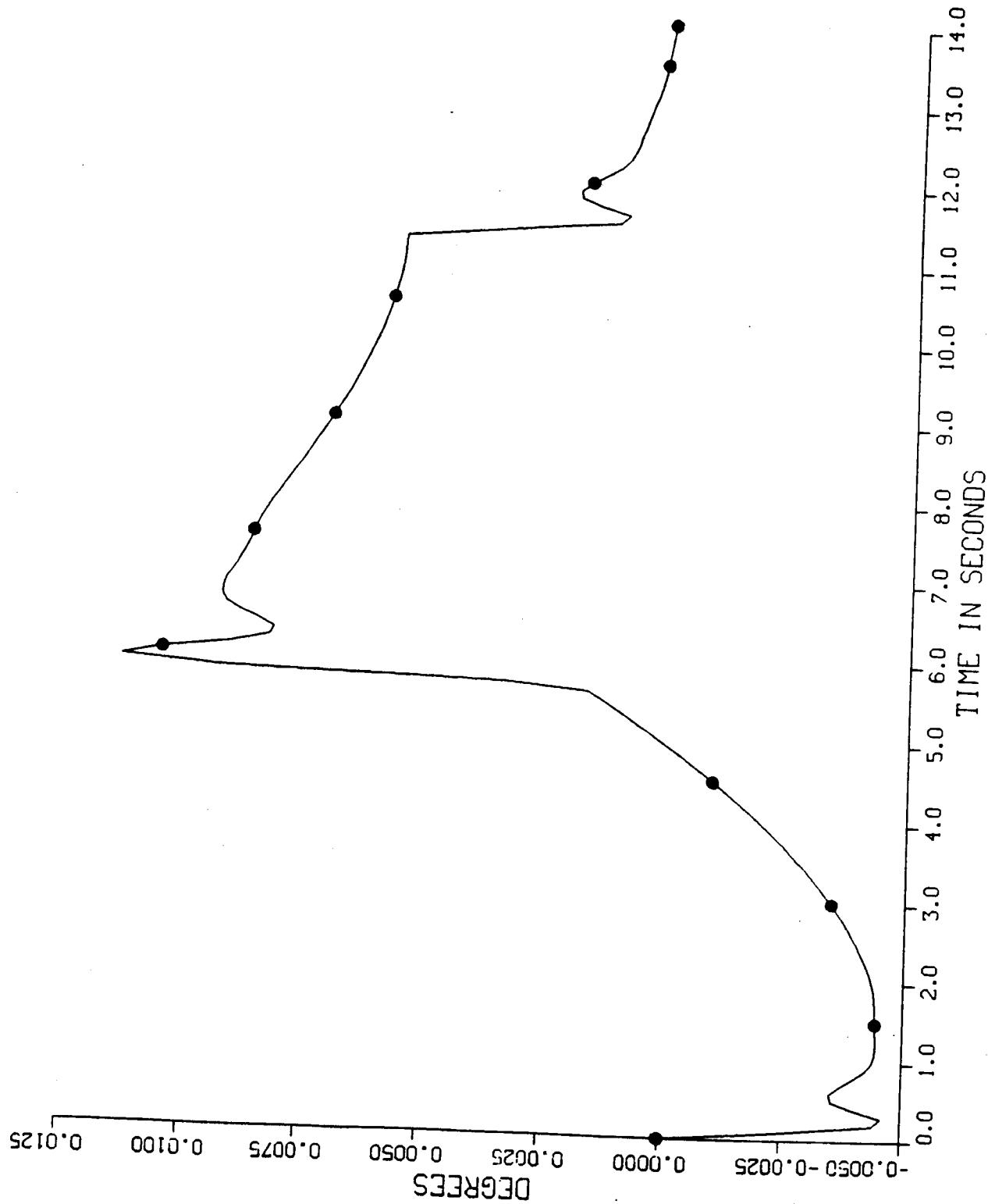
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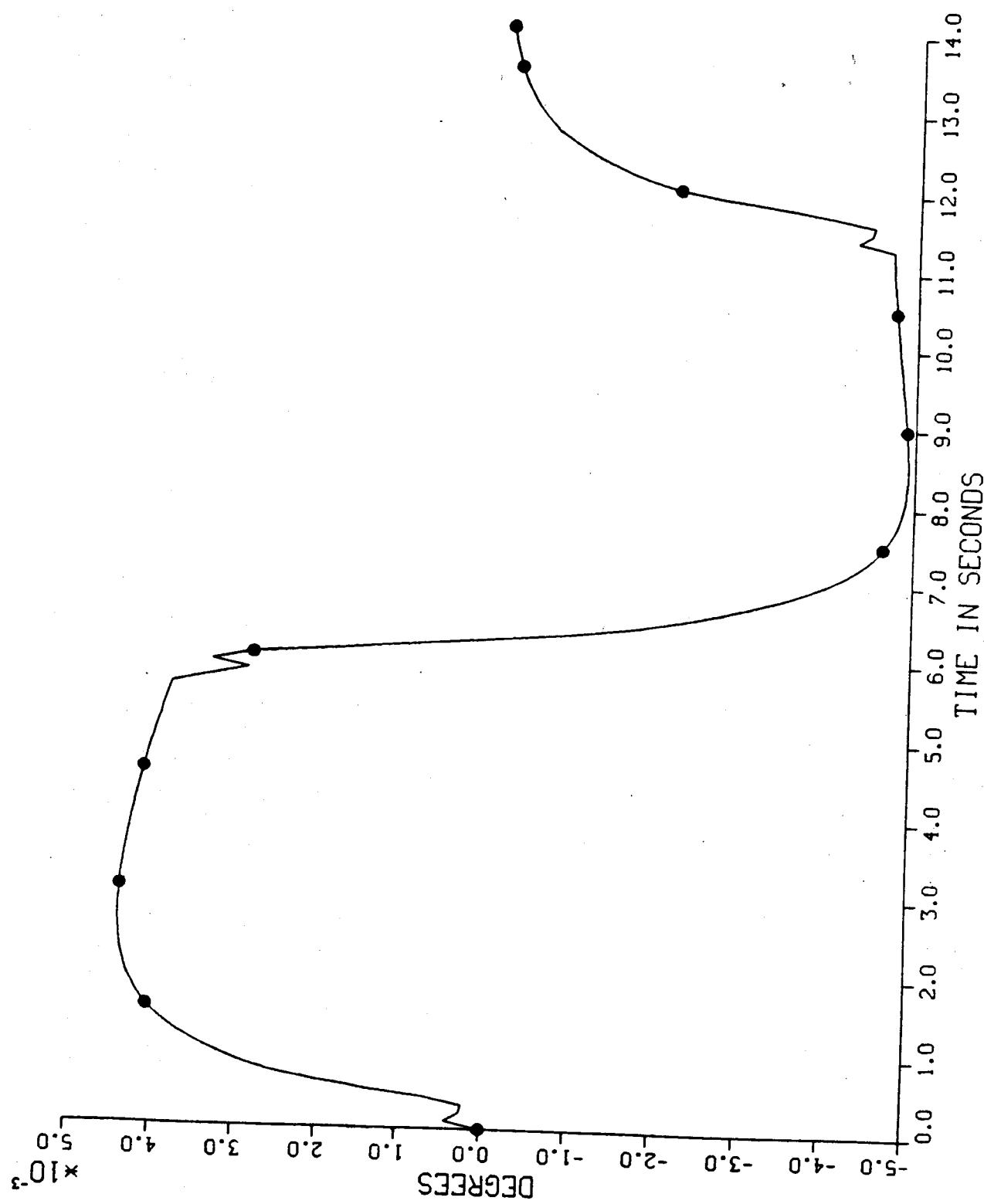


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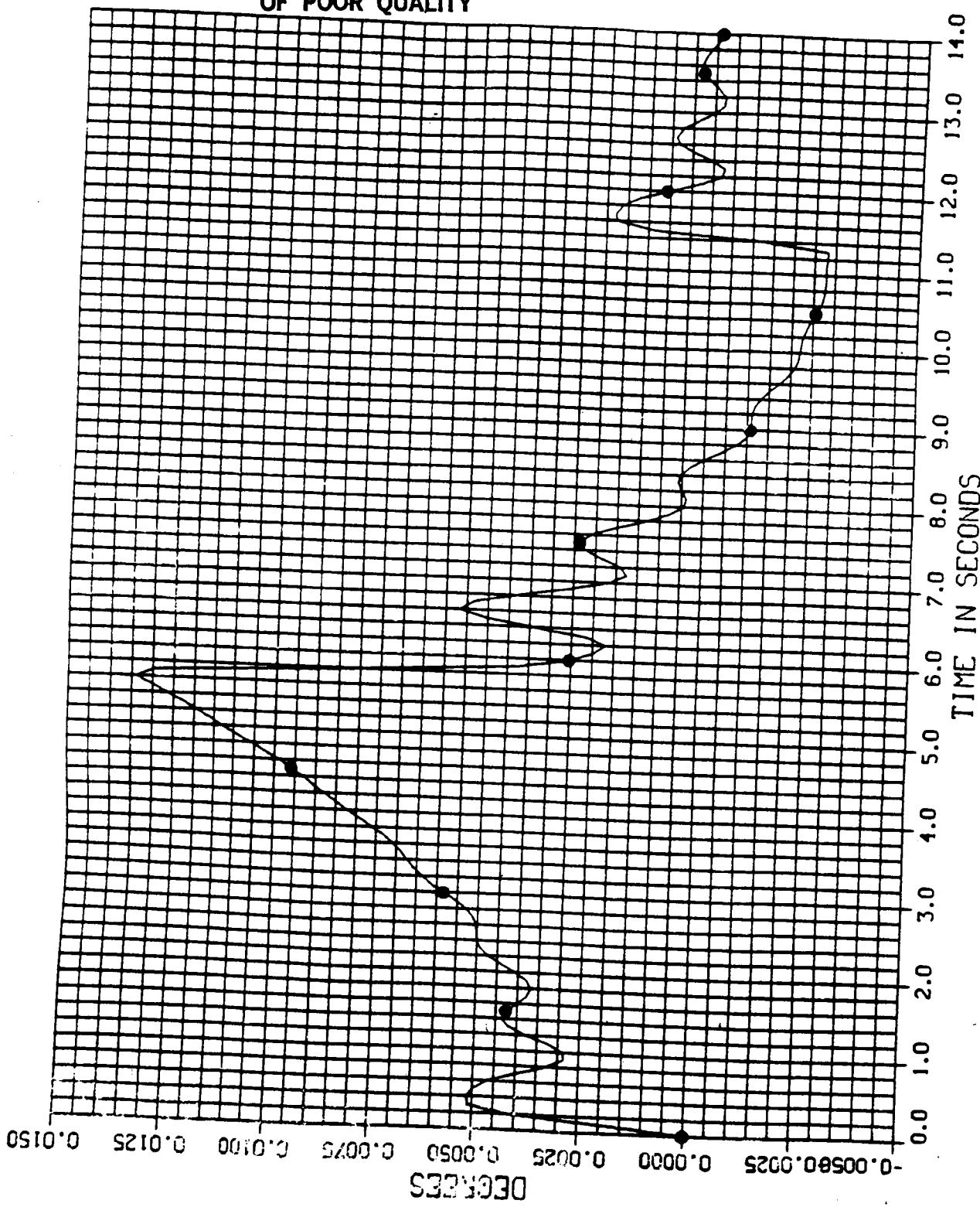


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YAW OF ANTENNA RELATIVE TO SHUTTLE VERSUS TIME

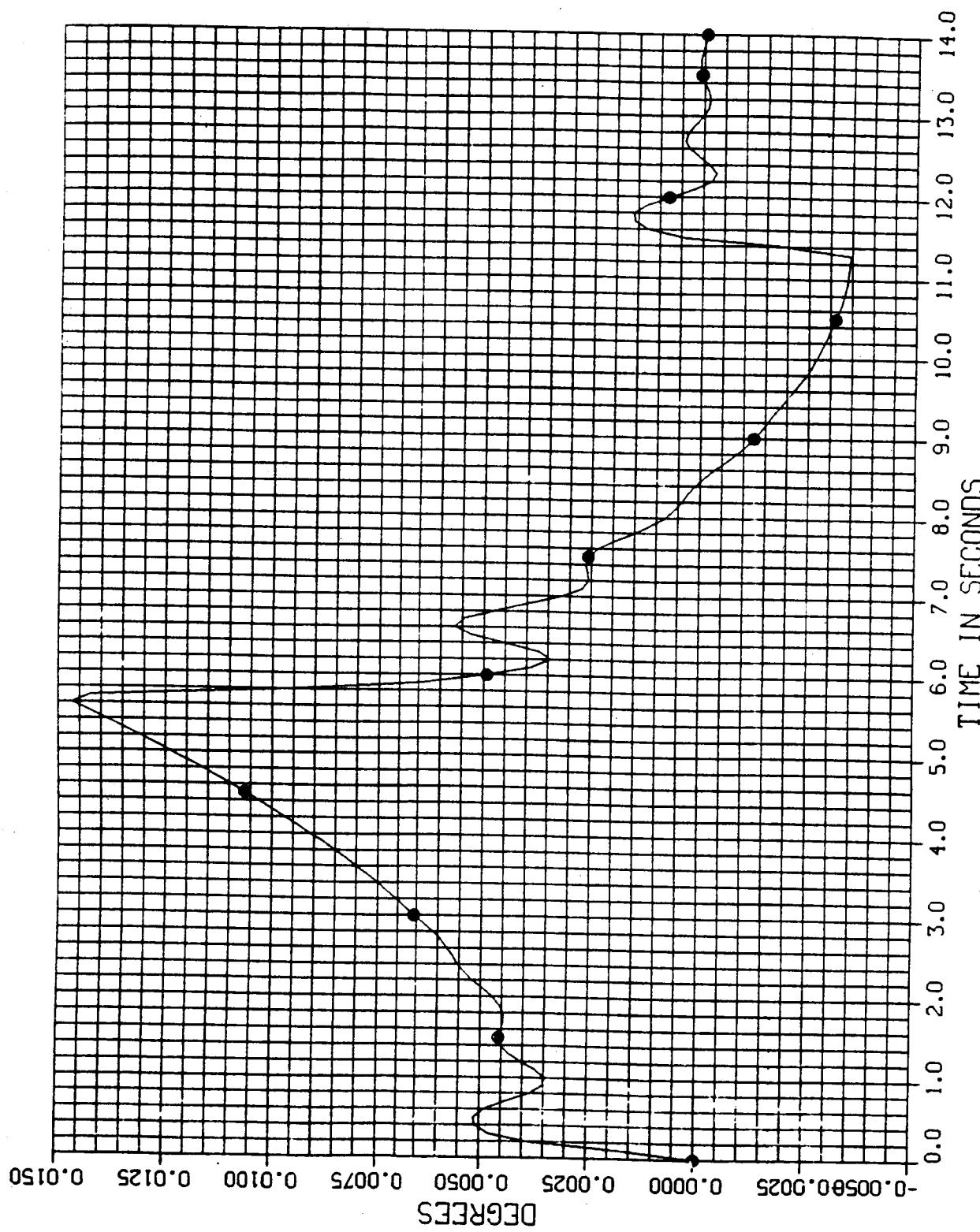


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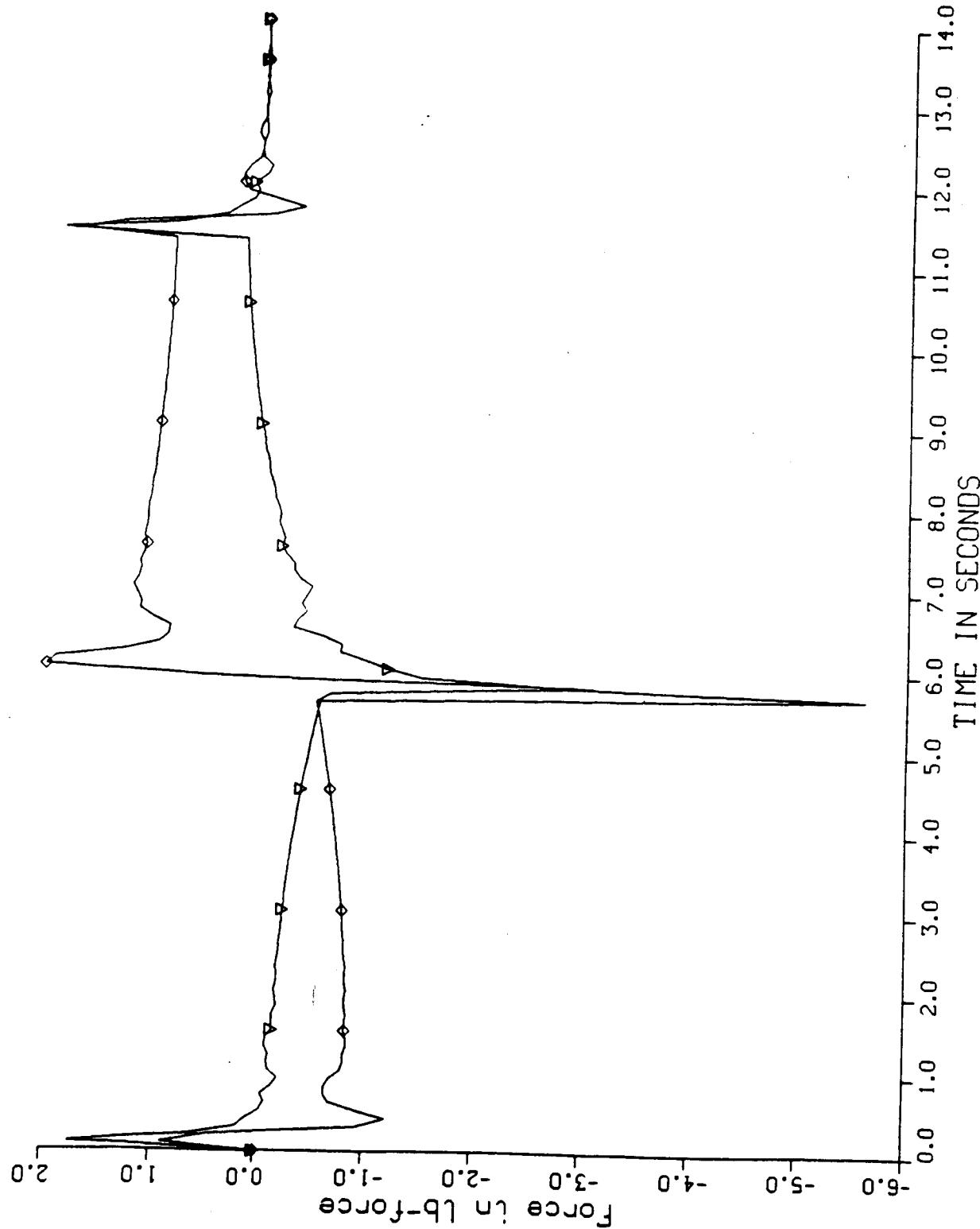


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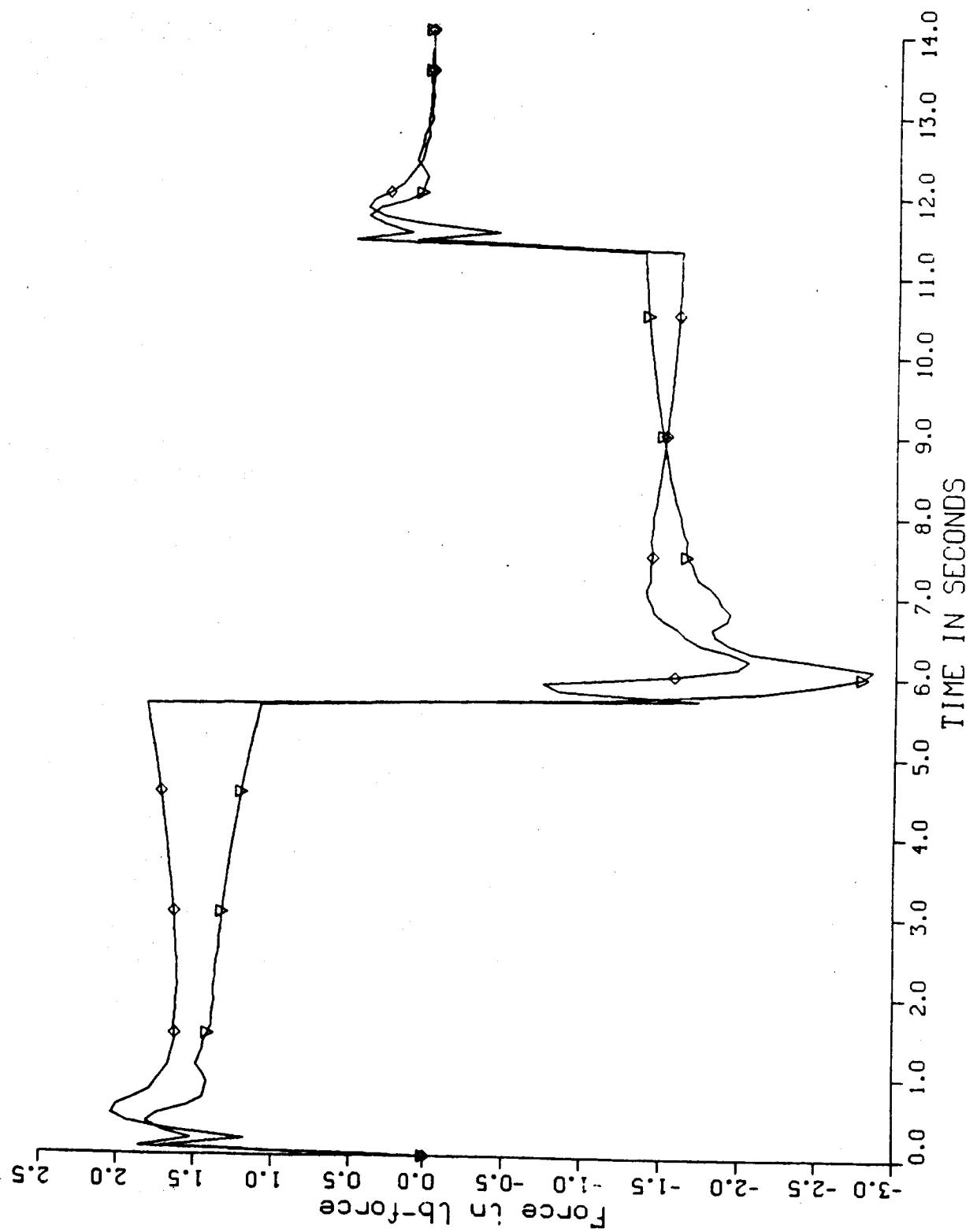


Proof mass forces near base of beam  
Inertors at 1/24 + 16444

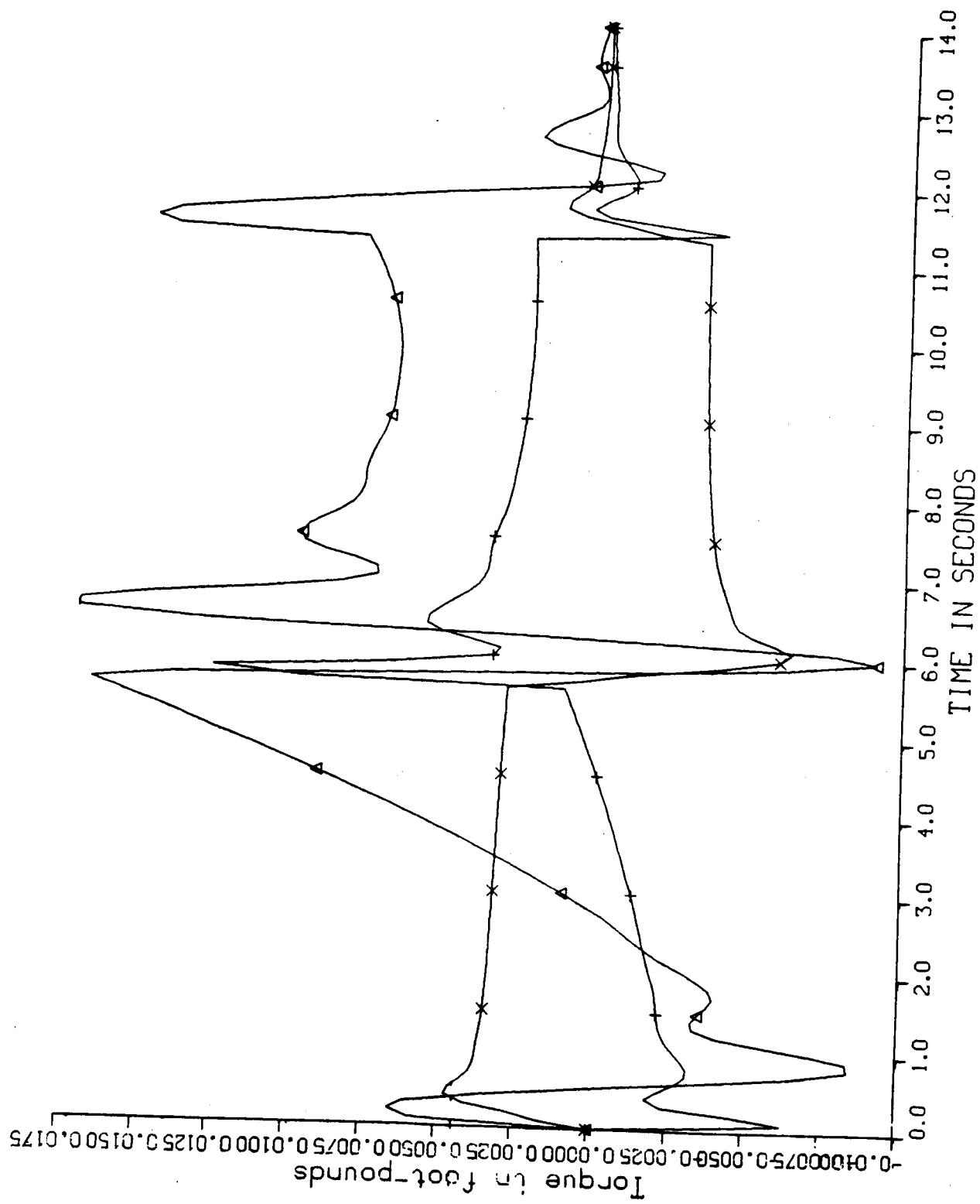


Proof mass forces applied near top of beam At-tors at  $7\frac{1}{2}$  ft + 104 ft.

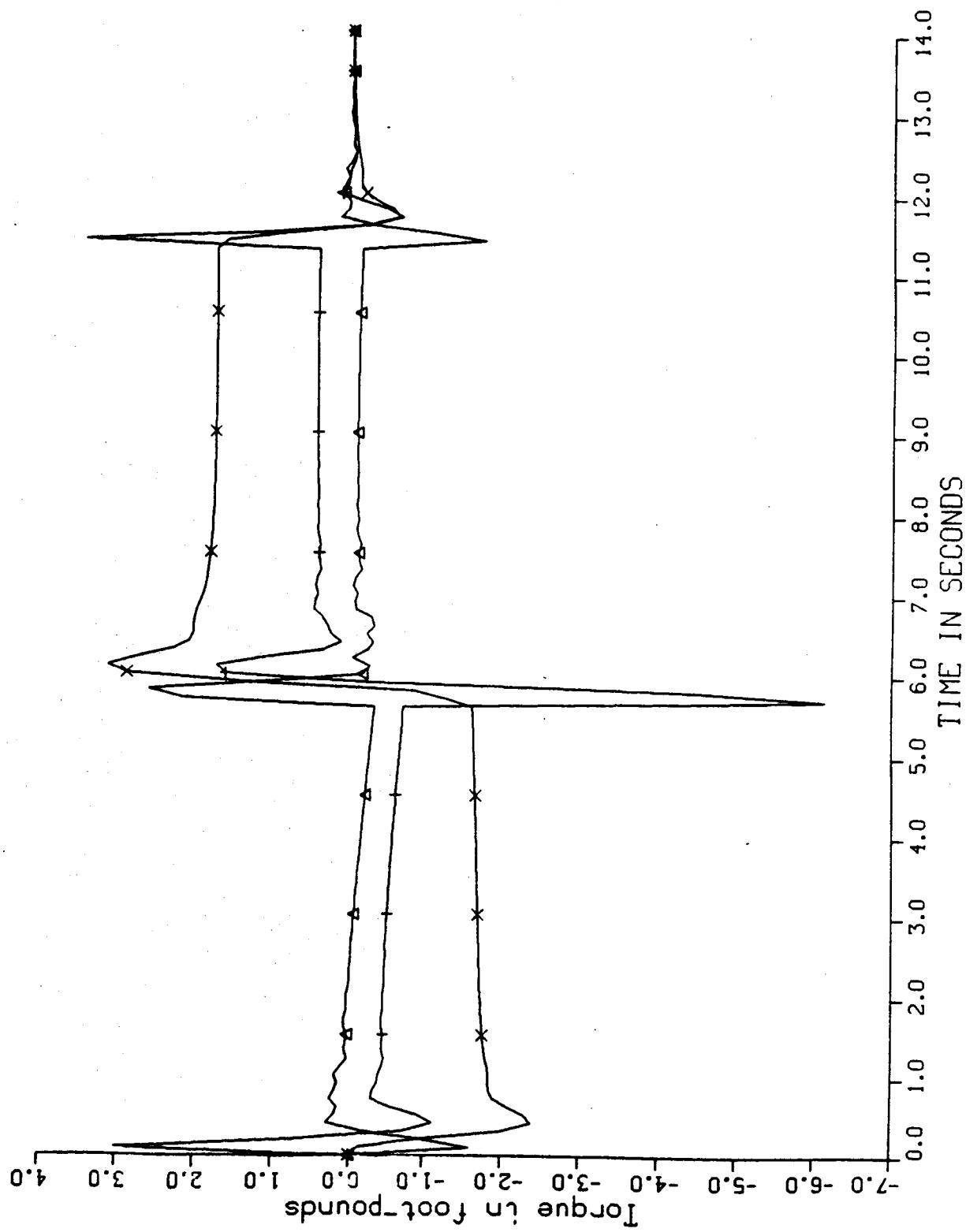
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Torques applied at base of beam

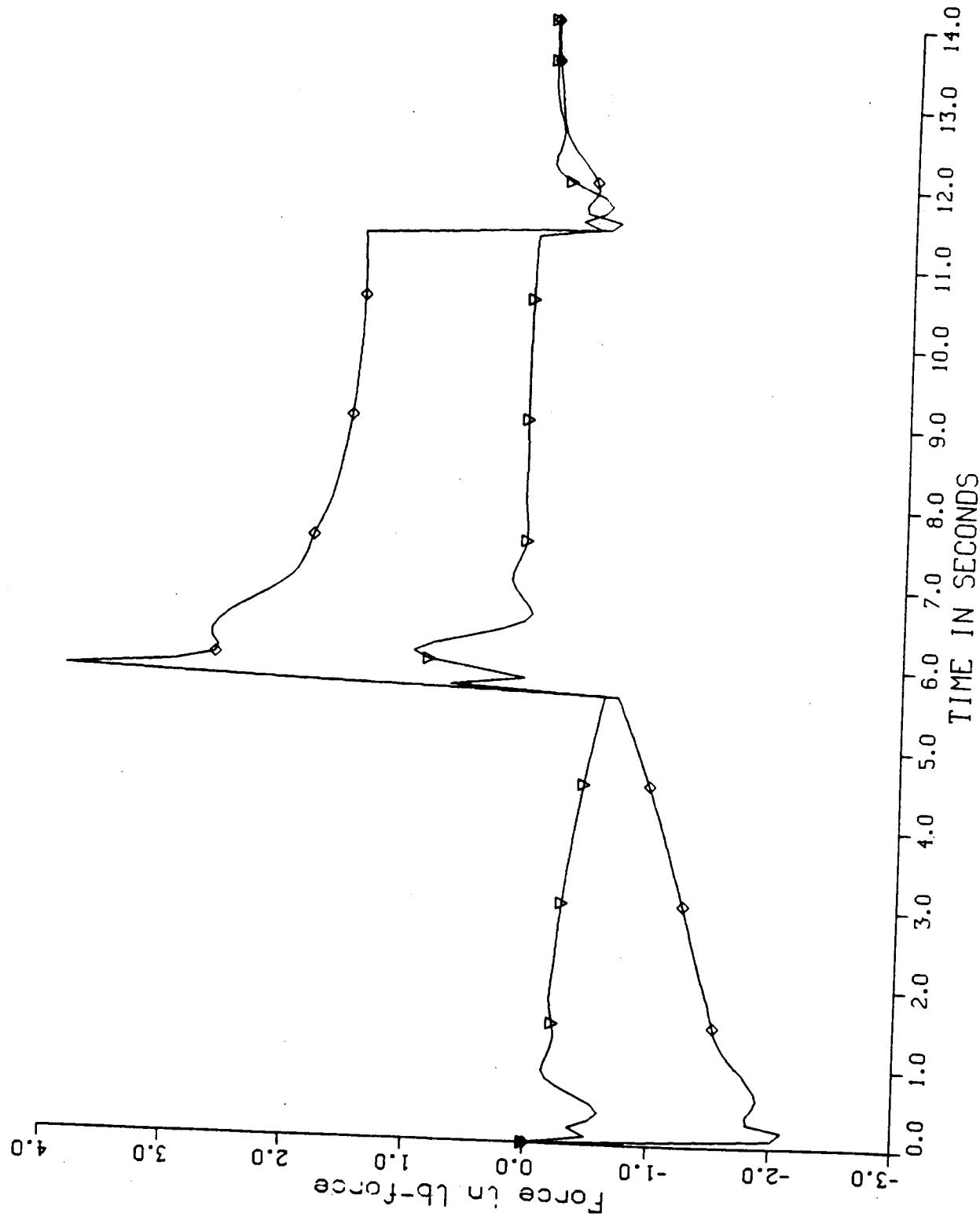


Control torques applied at reflector



Forces applied at reflector

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# CONCLUSIONS

1. PROOF-MASS ACTUATORS CAN REDUCE FLEXURE AMPLITUDE AND DAMP OSCILLATIONS
2. AMPLITUDE OF DEFORMATIONS DURING SLEW IS RELATIVELY INSENSITIVE TO PLACEMENT OF ACTUATORS
3. DAMPING FACTOR OF OSCILLATIONS IS SENSITIVE TO PLACEMENT OF ACTUATORS
4. DEGREE OF CONTROLLABILITY METHOD INDICATES MOST EFFECTIVE PLACEMENT FOR ACTUATORS

## FUTURE DIRECTIONS

1. INCLUDE NOISE AND TIME DELAYS  
IN SENSORS AND ACTUATORS  
KALMAN FILTER.
2. "CLOSE THE LOOP" BY SIMULATING THE  
EXPERIMENTAL TEST MODEL OF SCOLE.